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Fall Bazaar 2017
November 3-4, 2017



Booth
registration is
open

Sanderson Center Adding More Induction Loops



By Marilyn Call

If you visit the Sanderson Center during August you will see the Lecture Hall and the Conference Room a bit torn up. If you ask why, a staff member will probably tell you “getting loops.” If you are Deaf and use ASL you may not know what “getting loops” means.

Loops only benefit people who can hear some sounds. People who wear hearing aids or cochlear implants are very excited about these new loops being installed. The wiring of the loops will be hidden under new carpeting—but loops are magic. When rooms have induction loops installed, hard of hearing people can hear every word spoken into a microphone when they have their listening devices turned to the telecoil setting.

The induction loops magnetically transmits sound to devices with telecoils. People’s hearing aids act like wireless loudspeakers delivering customized sound to their ears—for this to happen, a loop is installed in a room. If you wear or have worn hearing aids, you know they are not helpful unless the sound is within six feet, or if background noise is present.

Hearing loops have become the most preferred type of assistive listening system because of the clarity of the sound and the ease of pushing a button on your personal hearing device. Telecoils are also an industry standard. Any of the devices that have them will work with all loop systems. There is little to no issue with compatibility, or need to upgrade technology. It has been the same for over 40 years.

Thank you for being patient with these exciting updates to the Sanderson Center.

For more information about the loop system and how it works, please visit: <http://www.hearingloop.org/>

Sanderson's **25 Year Anniversary** and the Gift of History

By Joene Nicolaisen

The staff at the Sanderson Center is excited to plan a fun event celebrating the 25-year anniversary of the Sanderson Center! We hope you will join us!

The event, “Blast from the Past” will be on September 8, 2017 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. You and your family/friends are welcome, but you must register by August 25th. There will be entertainment with funny skits, history displays, photo booth, games, light dinner and many other awesome activities for kids! Register online at <https://www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration>.

While gathering information on the history of the Sanderson Center for the event, the planning committee discovered a very valuable resource that I want to share with you. Utah Association for the Deaf (UAD), specifically Jodi Kinner created an in-depth and very detailed website full of Utah’s Deaf History.

Jodi told me it took her 11 years to compile all of the history including lots of pictures and interesting facts about our community and culture! In viewing their website, it made me realize the treasures that our past leaders and community members left for us. The Sanderson Center is one of those treasures.

The website shares stories of many challenges the previous leaders faced when advocating for a



place of our own, yet they persisted, and succeeded! The Sanderson Community Center has become the heart of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community—a place to create more history to share with future generations. You can view the Utah Deaf History online at www.utahdeafhistory.com.

If you have not seen it, you are in for a treat! What a wonderful gift that UAD, Jodi, and all those involved left for us to enjoy for years to come. Thank you! Let’s make more history!

News

First Time Attendee's Perspective at the NATIONAL HLAA CONVENTION

By Jenefer Reudter

I had the opportunity to attend the National HLAA (Hearing Loss Association of America) Convention in downtown Salt Lake at the end of June with some of my co-workers and members of the DSDHH Advisory Council. I have never attended this convention before, so I wasn't really sure what to expect, but I was actually surprised at a few things and wanted to share a few of those things with you.

I was surprised at the number of people that were signing! Most hard of hearing people I have met have not learned sign language and have cochlear implants. So I was prepared to be using my voice more than signing, but found myself signing more than speaking. That was a nice benefit! All the workshops had CART to read the presentations from and Loop systems to use with T-Coils in hearing aids/cochlear implants and there were even a few workshops that included ASL interpreters.

I attended workshops relating to technology advancements and learned of many apps available on iPhones and Androids that I was unaware of that are available for those with hearing loss. I learned of ways to communicate better with my children and future grandchildren and how to teach them about being Deaf and about the technology I use to hear.

Another thing I noticed is how many attendees had service dogs with them. I tried to count how many were there and lost count! It was a fun atmosphere to be in where so many accommodations were being met. There was an exhibit hall where technology was being demonstrated that could benefit those with hearing loss and information that is currently trending in hearing loss. I enjoyed being around people who face barriers in everyday life and learn how they face the challenges and to network with them.

It was a great opportunity for me to attend the National HLAA Convention and have my horizons expanded a little more with the understanding of the HLAA program.



Marilyn Call and retired Representative Ronda Menlove present on advocacy at the HLAA Convention.



Hard of Hearing Assistants hang out with the ear cowboy at the western BBQ welcome party at the HLAA Convention.

Salt Lake, Central and Northern Utah Classes and Events

Sanderson Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
5709 South 1500 West, Taylorsville
801-657-5200 (VP)
801-263-4860 (voice)
usor.utah.gov/dhh

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\$ = Cost

☞ ☞ = Registration Details

Community Events

All classes are held at the Sanderson Center unless otherwise noted. If additional accommodations are needed, please inform us during registration.

SANDERSON CENTER'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Sanderson Community Center's 25th Anniversary:
Blast from the Past
September 8, 2017
5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Save the date for the 25th anniversary of the Sanderson Community Center in September! The event will have entertainment, kids activities, dinner, and a photo booth. For more information, contact Mary Beth Baierl at mbaierl@utah.gov.

\$ Free

☞ ☞ Register by August 25 at
www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration



Fall Bazaar 2017

November 3-4, 2017

Deadline to reserve a booth is Oct. 23 at 5 p.m. at www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration. If you would like a paper copy of the form, pick it up at the Sanderson Center front desk. For more information, contact Mary Beth Baierl at mbaierl@utah.gov.



FALL BAZAAR
November 3-4, 2017

Community Education

All classes are held at the Sanderson Center unless otherwise noted. If additional accommodations are needed, please inform us during registration.

Creative Sewing Class

Saturday, August 5, 2017

6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.



Learn how to make a reversible table runner or bring any projects that are not completely finished. Bring your sewing machine and supplies. After registration, we'll let you know what supplies you need. This class will be presented in ASL.

\$ Free
📄 Limited to 15 students. Register at
www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration

American Sign Language (ASL) I

Tuesdays or Thursdays, September 12 – November 16

6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

This course covers basic ASL vocabulary in a fun environment. “Learn American Sign Language, Everything You Need to Start Signing” by James W. Guido is a recommend book for this course. It can be found at the UAD Bookstore, Amazon or Barnes and Noble for \$17-\$24. This course is open to ages 12 and up.

\$ Free
📄 Limited to 30 students. Register by Aug. 25 at www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration

American Sign Language (ASL) II

Tuesdays or Thursdays, September 12 – November 16

6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

This course demonstrates basic ASL grammatical rules such as facial expressions, body language, body shifting, listing, different categories of classifiers, and gesturing. This course is open to ages 12 and up.

\$ Free
📄 Limited to 22 students. Please register by Aug. 25 at www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration



American Sign Language (ASL) for Children (Ages 6-11)

Tuesdays or Thursdays, September 12 – November 16
6:30 – 8 p.m.

This class covers basic vocabulary and different topic categories such as animals, colors, and food. Children will learn through games, role playing, and videos.

\$ Free

📅 Limited to 15 students. Please register by Aug. 25
at www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration



Circle of Friends

Circle of Friends is a recreational and social program developed for adults with multiple disabilities and some degree of hearing loss. Support activities are designed to create friendships, prevent isolation, and promote independence to enhance the quality of life.

CRAFT DAY

Saturday, August 19, 2017
9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Handmade gifts are extra special. Come Learn how to make beautiful wooden signs to use them as gifts or to hang on your walls.

\$ Free

📅 Register by August 16 with Rosa Maria at rosavball@gmail.com or 801-590-4888(vp)



Seniors 55+

The 55+ Senior Program is designed to reduce isolation and promote independence to enhance the quality of life for deaf and hard of hearing individuals.

Solar Eclipse Viewing



Monday, August 21, 2017
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Watch the solar eclipse at the University of Utah Marriott Library with solar eclipse glasses! A solar eclipse will occur on August 21 and will be visible in totality only within a band across the entire United States. In Utah, the eclipse will peak at 11:34:44 a.m. when the moon will obscure 90.9% of the sun. Free giveaways!



SCHEDULE

9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

Depart (please be at the Sanderson Center by 9:00 a.m.)

Solar Eclipse Viewing

Lunch (TBA) Bring money

Depart from lunch to arrive back by 3:00 p.m.

\$ Free (Bring money for lunch)

📅 Register by August 18 at www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration

Location: Riverton Senior Center, 12914 S. Redwood Road, Riverton

Topics include:

- Understand your hearing loss
- Make changes in communication
- Reduce communication breakdowns
- Learn about assistive listening devices
- Learn coping strategies
- Improve relationships

 To register, contact Sherry Cowdell at 385-468-3040 or scowdell@slco.org

Location: Kearns Senior Center, 4851 West 4715 South, Kearns

In beginning CASE, learn signing basic fingerspelling alphabets, numbers and 1,000 basic everyday conversational English word order sentences. This is a slow paced class for people who have a hearing loss or late deafened, and their family members, coworkers and friends. The book 1,000 Signs of Life is required on first day of class. This class will be taught in spoken English and basic CASE.


 Required! Contact Lisa Schofield at 385-468-3098 or lcschofield@slco.org

1,000

Signs of Life

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

In beginning CASE, learn signing basic fingerspelling alphabets, numbers and 1,000 basic everyday conversational English word order sentences. This is a slow paced class for people who have a hearing loss or late deafened, and their family members, coworkers and friends. The book 1,000 Signs of Life is required on first day of class. This class will be taught in spoken English and basic CASE.

 Registration is required at 801-657-5200 or www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration



August 2017 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 Creative Sewing
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 Circle of Friends Craft Day
20	21 Seniors 55+ Solar Eclipse Viewing	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Southern Utah Classes and Events

Southern Utah Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program

1067 E. Tabernacle, Suite 10, St. George

435-216-9305 (VP)

435-652-2453 (voice)

SUDHHP@utah.gov

usor.utah.gov/dhh/sup

Register online at www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration-south

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Community Events

All events are held at the Southern Utah Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program unless otherwise noted. If additional accommodations are needed, please inform us during registration.

Family Bowling Night

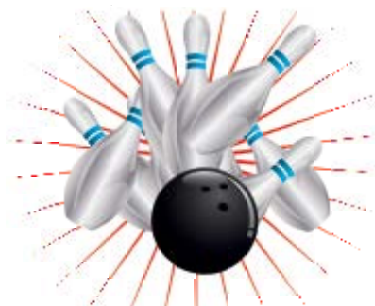
Friday, August 4, 2017

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Location: Fiesta Fun Family Fun Center, 171 E. 1160 S., St. George

Join us for a night bowling and fun with your family at the Fiesta Fun Family Fun Center. You will pay the \$3 fee at the event. For more information, contact Diego Acosta at dacosta@utah.gov.

\$ \$3 for bowling game with rental shoes included



Community Education

DIY Emergency Preparedness

Thursday, August 17

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Learn how to make your own “grab and go” emergency kit and family emergency kit. Also, learn tips on long-term survival. This is in partnership with Sego Lily Center for the Abused Deaf.

\$ Free

📄 Register at www.usor.utah.gov/dhh/registration-south




Beginning American Sign Language (ASL) Part 1 – St. George

Wednesdays, September 13 – November 1

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

This class covers basic vocabulary at a fairly slow pace. The class uses “A Basic Course in American Sign Language, 2nd Edition” and can be purchased through Amazon. Beginning ASL Part 1 will cover the first section of the book with lessons 1-11. These will demonstrate basic ASL grammatical rules such as facial expressions and body language. This class will be taught in basic ASL and written English if necessary.

\$ Free

 To register, contact Erin Kelly at 435-215-4029 or ekelly@utah.gov


Beginning American Sign Language (ASL) Part 2 – St. George

Thursdays, September 14 – November 2

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

This class is a continuation of the second part of “A Basic Course in American Sign Language, 2nd Edition” with lessons 12-22. These lessons will demonstrate basic ASL grammatical rules such as facial expressions, body language, body shifting and gesturing. This class will be taught in basic ASL and written English if necessary..

\$ Free

 To register, contact Erin Kelly at 435-215-4029 or ekelly@utah.gov


Beginning American Sign Language (ASL) Part 1 – Cedar City

Tuesdays, September 12 – November 7

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

This class covers basic vocabulary at a fairly slow pace. The class uses “A Basic Course in American Sign Language 2nd Edition” and can be purchased through Amazon. Beginning ASL Part 1 will cover the first section of the book with lessons 1-11. These will demonstrate basic ASL grammatical rules such as facial expressions and body language. This class will be taught in basic ASL and written English if necessary.

\$ Free

 To register, contact Erin Kelly at 435-215-4029 or ekelly@utah.gov



Beginning American Sign Language (ASL) Part 2 – Cedar City

Wednesdays, September 13 – November 1

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

This class is a continuation of the second part of “A Basic Course in American Sign Language, 2nd Edition” with lessons 12-22. These lessons will demonstrate basic ASL grammatical rules such as facial expressions, body language, body shifting and gesturing. This class will be taught in basic ASL and written English if necessary.

\$ Free

📧 To register, contact Erin Kelly at 435-215-4029 or ekelly@utah.gov

Seniors 45+

The 45+ Senior Program is designed to reduce isolation and promote independence to enhance the quality of life for deaf and hard of hearing individuals.

Table Games & Potluck

Wednesday, August 9, 2017

(Held every month on the 2nd Wednesday)

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Adults ages 45 and up are invited to play table games such as Uno, Bunco, and Yahtzee, and to take part in a potluck. No children please. If you want to host a future seniors 45+ event, contact Bonnie Christensen at 435-767-0130.

\$ Free

📧 None



Living with Hearing Loss Program

NO CLASSES IN AUGUST

August 2017 Calendar

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6	7	8 Senior Social	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 DIY Emergency Preparedness	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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